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[1](#)1. (SBU) The Mission formally requested Government of Nigeria support for USG reelection as a category "A" member of the Council of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) via September 24 Embassy Abuja diplomatic note, per reftel. ConGen Lagos P/E Chief shared this note with Director General Temisanren Omatseye of the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) during October 13 call, who thanked us but offered no commitment on the GON position. Omatseye drew attention to Nigeria's category "C" candidacy in the same body, while acknowledging there would be no "vote trading".

[1](#)2. (U) ConGen Lagos coordinated this telegram with Embassy Abuja.  
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